under which additional assistance is made available to 63 selected cities including mega/metro cities, State capitals and other important cities for the development of integrated urban infrastructure including water supply and sanitation. A similar programme called Urban Infrastructure Development Schemes for Small and Medium Towns (UIDSSMT) has also been launched by Government of India for the improvement of drinking water supply in 5098 small and medium towns and cities (as per census 2001) not covered under JNNURM.

Non-availability of LPT Ransar Valley in Shimla

*236. SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that people of Ransar Valley in Shimla district of Himachal Pradesh are not getting the facility of Doordarshan programme due to non-availability of Low Power Transmitter (LPT);

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government are ignoring the demands of people of Ransar Valley for installation of LPT;

(c) whether there is any proposal of Government to install LPT so that people can avail the accessibility to Doordarshan programmes; and

(d) if so, by when it will be installed?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) Yes, Sir, Ransar Valley does not get TV coverage from the nearby TV transmitter at Chirgaon due to hilly terrain in the area.

(b) to (d) With the launch of free-to-air DTH service of Doordarshan "DD Direct Plus", all uncovered areas along with rest of the country (except A&N Islands) have been provided with multi channel TV coverage. DTH signals can be received anywhere in the country, including Shimla district, with the help of small sized dish receive system. New transmitters are now not contemplated.

Letter sent by D/o Rural Development, Madhya Pradesh

†*237. SHRI LAXMINARAYAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a letter has been sent on 12th January, 2007 by Department of Rural Development, Madhya Pradesh to Secretary, Department of Rural Development, Government of India regarding solution to the objections raised *vide* reference No. P-17024/14/2006 R.C. dated 9th January, 2007; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereto so far?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) Project proposals for 1182 road works measuring 4934.91 km. and valued at Rs.1295.32 crore have been sanctioned by the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India under Phase VII of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for Madhya Pradesh.

Independent Law Enforcement Agency for investigating corruption cases

†*238. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA:
SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Madhav Menon Committee has recommended to set up an independent Law Enforcement Agency to investigate the corruption cases against persons holding high posts;

(b) if so, the details of recommendations made by said Committee; and

(c) the details of action being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) and (b) The Committee has made a number of recommendations on the Criminal Justice System including on the issue of corruption.

(c) The Draft Policy has been circulated to all the State Governments for their views/comments as the Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure are on the Concurrent List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India and are administered by the State Governments. The Draft Policy has also been circulated to the concerned Central Government Ministries/Departments for their views. After receipt of comments of the above, a final view will be taken by the Government on the Draft Policy.

Share of textile sector in industrial output and exports

*239. SHRIMATI MOHSINA KIDWAI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that textile sector accounts for nearly 14 per cent of the total industrial output; while Indian fabric is in demand with its ethnic, earthly co-loured and many textures;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the textile sector accounts for about 30 per cent in the total export;

(c) if so, how much handloom products are being exported;

(d) whether handloom exports have declined over the years; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

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